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Re: U.S. Application

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## Dear Colleagues:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97 and MPEP 2001.06 (b), we have now filed the enclosed Information Disclosure Statement/List of Related Cases advising of the Applicants' related applications as evidenced by the enclosed date-stamped filing receipt. Copies of the papers filed are also enclosed for your records.

With best regards,

Very truly yours,

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Enclosure:

Date-Stamped Filing Receipt, IDS Under 37 CFR 1.97/Related, List of Related

Cases, PTO 1449, Cited Pending Application (1), Debit Note

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PETENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Satoru SUGISHITA, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR:

MULTIFUNCTION PERIPHERAL WITH EFFICIENT USE OF MEMORY RESOURCES

### **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR.

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

#### REFERENCES

| The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed |
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| references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English   |
| translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.  |

☐ A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

#### **RELATED CASES**

Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached.

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#### **CERTIFICATION**

☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

□ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

#### DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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# **LIST OF RELATED CASES**

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| Docket Number | Patent Number | Issue Date | Applicant        |
| 228568US2     | 10/251,833    | 09/23/02   | SUGISHITA        |
| 241901US2*    | 10/646,819    | 08/25/03   | SUGISHITA et al. |